

## **Arlington Master Plan Advisory Committee**

**Central School, Lower Level - 7:00 PM**

**Minutes: July 10, 2014**

**Approved: Sept. 4, 2014**

**Members present:** Charles Kalauskas, Harris Band, Bob Radochia, Ann LeRoyer, Pam Heidell, , Joe Barr, Carol Svenson

**Members absent:** Eric Bourassa , Sheri Baron, Wendy Richter

**Also present:** Carol Kowalski, Ted Fields, and Joey Glushko of the Planning Dept.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Charlie Kalauskas led discussion of the "Action" items mentioned in the 6/19 Minutes:

- a. Laura Wiener compiled the comments she recorded from the June 10 "Do you like this ...."; copies were distributed to the committee'
- b. Carol Kowalski is pursuing leads to fill the open MPAC representative position; she is hopeful of having this accomplished before September;
- c. Harris Band put together some recommendations for the development of a parking policy in residential areas:
  1. Attention must be paid to commuter behavior and to equity;
  2. Consider a fee-based overnite parking permit;
  3. Consider a separate day-time policy, which will preclude use of parking spaces by out-of-town users;
  4. Consider parking for local employees.
- d. A date has not been confirmed for the presentation on the redevelopment potential of selected properties;
- e. Volunteers were sought for Town Day presentation of ideas and issues; Charlie Kalauskas, Joe Barr, Bob Radochia and Pam Heidell expressed interest in this.

The minutes of the meeting of June 19 were approved.

Five edited working papers were reviewed. A general comment was made that all future Master Plan report documents must have a page number and date for reference by Committee members and staff as a reference for making comments. Comments on Working Papers were as follows:

1. Public Facilities:
  - a. School Committee will provide additional information regarding classroom space needs; this information must be put into terms suitable for the lay population to understand;
  - b. Discuss the role of 40B in developing projects, and future trends;
  - c. Consider the possible siting of a new Jr. High School; also, the needs of High School redevelopment.
2. Housing
  - a. Add comments explain 40B context and impacts;

- b. Change “census tracts” to descriptive districts or some other identification system; have a map accompany this with the naming;
  - c. MPAC members should send listings of needs for illustrative material to Carol.
- 3. Economic Development
  - a. Harris had a number of comments – which he will provide in writing for Ted;
  - b. In section 5.16, the East Arlington Gateway will be added to the possible redevelopment areas;
  - c. The Planning staff will do the analysis of the Dow Ave./Poets’ Corner area.
- 4. Open Space and Natural Resource Areas
  - a. Create separate maps for recreational use, conservation jurisdiction, and for open space areas;
  - b. Create a composite map of the areas in (a) above, and add it to the Appendix;
  - c. There are numerous recommendations/corrections within the amended report.
- 5. Historic and Cultural Resource Areas
  - a. Recommend that the Town develop a policy regarding use of brick sidewalks in Town, and in historic districts.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Joey Glushko